Celebrating our Graduates
One of the greatest sources of joy for me as the President of Alter High School is to preside over the Baccalaureate Mass with so many of my brother priests from the parishes around the altar (not Alter) with me. This is my priesthood emerging in my presidency. I cannot but help it. It is the highlight of the year for me.

As I said in my homily, this was an excellent class to work with over the past four years. All of the awards and accomplishments affirm this. The fact that this class earned $18,100,000 in scholarships offered (actually $18.3 m after it went to press) to the top 80% of our 2015 graduates was amazing. Only a few of the private Catholic Schools in Cincinnati exceeded this figure. Alter is proud to be a Diocesan-owned Catholic School and not a private academy. My prayer for Alter is that we continue to be a Catholic and not just a private school, an alternative to public education. We are not a Catholic Charter School; we are proud to be a Catholic School.

The Baccalaureate Mass in our Graduation weekend reflects the faith-based community that Alter truly is. The Baccalaureate Service derives from the medieval European custom of presenting the candidates for the degree of Bachelor (Bacca) with laurels (lauri) of sermonic oration. According to Wikipedia, “The Baccalaureate ceremony is a service of worship in celebration of and thanksgiving for lives dedicated to learning and wisdom.” At the Baccalaureate Mass we give thanks and praise to God for the growth and development not only of our students but all of our families over the past four years.

The Baccalaureate Mass reflects the Mission Statement of Alter at its best. The mission of Alter is to provide a “quality education in a Christ centered-environment.” This is what makes us different, and we are proud of the difference. Alter is also “comprehensive” and not just a “college-prep school”. Although nearly all of our students go to college and we are proud of this accomplishment, this is not the purpose of Catholic Education. Our mission is to educate all students in a holistic way: spirit, mind, and body. I pray that we never forget this. We are Catholic, and not just a private education. We are proud of our graduates wherever they are “sent forth” in life. As Jesus said, “by your fruits you shall know them.”

At the Baccalaureate Mass we pass out medals to the graduates. The medals are “Shields of Faith.” On the back of the medals are the words from the Book of Joshua: “Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified; do or be discouraged for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.”

The Shields of Faith given to our graduates were reinforced by the Communion Meditation sung by Danielle Ruffolo, our graduate of 2015. The words to this song provide a prayerful SENDING FORTH to our graduates: “I will call upon you name. Keep my eyes above the waters. My souls will rest in your embrace. For I am yours and you are mine . . . Your Sovereign Hand will be my guide . . . Spirit lead me where my trust is without borders, let me walk upon the water wherever you would call me.”

This is why the Baccalaureate Mass is so precious to me as a priest who has his given his life to Catholic Education, both on the receiving and the giving level. It captures the heart and soul of Catholic Education. The mission of the Church is to “save souls.” To “save souls” we educate mind and hearts. May we never forget that the mission of Catholic Schools is to serve the mission of the Church! This is Servant Leadership at its best!

I would love to hear from Alter graduates about the remembrance of your Baccalaureate Mass. Who was the priest? Do you remember? What was his message? What did you remember about your graduation from Alter no matter what the year was? Send the message to me personally, be it positive or negative, so as a priest I can respect the confidentiality of your experience. We only grow and get better in life by listening and learning form others and that is from you, our graduates. As Jesus says, “By your fruits you shall know them.” Or as some wise person recently said, “We want to be the best at getting better.” Fr. Jim
From the Advancement Director

Rick Willits ’88

If You Want to See the Change

“If you want to see the change, you’ve got to be the change.” This is a variation of a quote that was made by Mahatma Gandhi, and I heard it again recently and it got me thinking about this past year. We have a strong community of current parents, past parents, students, and alumni that constantly help us facilitate change and continue to improve our school. These volunteers continually give of their time, talent, and/or treasure. We can’t thank you all enough for all you do for Alter.

One strong example of a family embodying this quote “if you want to see the change, you’ve got to be the change” is the Miller Family. They have a passion for promoting the development of the arts here at Alter High School. Mary Lynn Dorow ’78, with some prompting from Sister Katie Hoelscher, restarted the lancerette program here at Alter over 10 years ago. Her father, Fred J. Miller, had early roots in our music program. FJM, headed up by Mike and Mark Miller, Marlene Miller and Mary Lynn have always been big supporters of the arts here at Alter, in the Dayton area and across the United States. I remember when Mary Lynn, along with Pam and Amy Miller approached us with the idea for the Winter Ball, and you could see the passion in their eyes and hear the excitement in their voices. The various committees they formed carried this passion to over 500 people at the event. Three alumni performers, Mary Illes ’80, Laura Portune Cordell ’94 and Alex Finke ’08, were the signature performances of the evening and an amazing example of the talent that has been produced with limited facilities and resources. In the end, this group was responsible for the largest net fundraising event in the school’s history.

I also witnessed change in action recently with a Victory Garden project funded by the financial gifts of over 50 individuals to honor two deceased teammates from the class of 2010, Cody Conley and Jon Endres. The project also involves the football team of 2015, who refinished and donated the victory bell that will sit in the center of the garden. The bell was originally found and donated to the team by another alum, Erich Nagle ’94. But what was really neat to see was the recent interactions between both the Lunne and Rindler landscaping companies, who also have parent and alumni ties to the school. They have come together and will work as a team on this joint venture project for Alter. Fill dirt is being donated by Todd Duplain ’92, stone is being donated by the Reeves Families, Dick Amann ’69 is involved in design and plantings for this garden, and the fencing has ties to Alter via the Wilhoite family. This project will be completed this summer and will be at the east end of the athletic complex. It will provide a light and sound buffer for our neighbors and will also be very aesthetically pleasing.

My invitation is always open to anyone that wants to see what is going on here at Alter. I recently gave a tour to Dr. Sam King ’96, who had not been back for many years. I loved hearing his feedback about his observations about our facility upgrades, the friendly students and the project based activities in which many students were participating in during his tour. It is the people that make Alter an amazing place to work every day. The teachers, students, alumni, parents and community are so special. I love when I get to share it with people that have been away for a while. As Father Jim and Lourdes continue to set the vision for Alter into the future, I know that it will take time, talent and treasure to be that change.
Two long-time Alter teachers announced their retirement this year. Bonnie Walters, Science, taught school for 26 years and 18 of those were here at Alter. Doug Mathis, Social Studies, also announced his retirement after spending 16 years here. We wish them great happiness in their retirement - we will miss them!

Will Kunesh was awarded the Stone Laboratory Scholarship - Room and meals scholarship (up to 15) to attend a one week summer introductory course at Ohio State University’s Stone Laboratory, Gibraltar Island, Put-in-Bay; the scholarship can be used through the summer of 2018.

Michael Saturno was awarded second place for the $100 Osteopathic Medical Award and first place for the Future Physician - Scientist Award for $500.

Helen McHenry was awarded the Plant Pathology Scholarship at The Ohio State University - $500 scholarship for outstanding project relating to plant science & plant pathology. This award is only redeemed by enrolling as a Plant Health Mgmt Plant Pathology major at OSU, but does not guarantee admission into the university.

Veronica Harker received a second place for the Future Dentist - Scientist Award for $250 cash.

Several additional football players from Alter’s State Finalist Team will continue playing football this Fall at the collegiate level: Chris Finke has been granted preferred walk-on status at the University of Notre Dame. Billy Shancey has committed to Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh, Tommy Gearhard to Wittenberg University and Dillon Daxe to Mount Union College. Dylan Black will play at John Carroll University - where he will play against former teammate Marc O’Neal, who has committed to Marietta College. Congratulations!

Our own Nick Fadell has been accepted into the Pre-collegiate Summer Institute of Stanford University in Palo Alto, California.

The Stanford Pre-Collegiate Summer Institutes are three-week and four-week residential programs for academically talented and motivated high school students based in part on ACT and SAT scores. The Summer Institutes provide an opportunity for these students to enrich and accelerate their academic pursuits and to meet other students who share their interests and abilities. Nick will be attending a four-week session.

Lizzie Janess recently received the Mayor’s Award from the City of Kettering. She accumulated over 300 hours of service through Key Club, mission trips and numerous hours at Kettering Hospital. The Mayor’s Award for service is given to only one high school student in the City of Kettering each year during volunteer week. Alter students have received the award for four out of the last five years.
all stars
Congratulations to Dusty Hayes and Alex Craft who were selected to participate in the 70th Annual North-South Ohio All Star Classic this past weekend. Dusty Hayes was selected the game’s MVP.

music news
Alter Indoor Performance Ensemble is now forever a part of WGI history. In its first season ever, the Alter Indoor Performance Ensemble etched their name in the history books for Winter Guard International. These trailblazers did not only win a WGI Regional Championship, they were also named World Championship Finalists in the Scholastic A Class with a 79.275 at the first ever WGI Winds World Championships in April. Alter HS will forever be the first group to ever march in WGI Winds World Championship Finals.

winter guard
The Alter Winter Guard Team had an amazing season finishing with a Gold Medal at the MEPA Championships on March 29th held at Hamilton High School. This was the first time the Alter team has participated in the championships. Congratulations to the team of Sarah Egbert, Melanie Grilliot, Sydney Breyer, Emily Hare, Maddie Hale, Catherine Bryan, Sarah Portman, Sophie Shockey, Ashley Waker, and Savannah Leichty.

track at state
The girls 4x800 track team won their back to back state championship! Congratulations to Kyly Borton, Kristen Petrovsky, Abby Nichols, and Perri Bockrath!

volleyball state champs
The Alter Boys Volleyball team successfully defended their 2014 state championship at Capital University in Columbus. The Knights knocked off #1 Walsh Jesuit 32-30, 25-20, 25-19 to advance to the championship match against #3 St. Francis DeSales. The final match was intense, and Alter rose up to the fight to win the title 26-24, 20-25, 20-25, 29-27, 15-12. Congratulations Knights!

winter ball
The Winter Ball Committee presented a check before the school play for a record setting Alter fundraiser amount of $261,000!
Congratulations
Class of 2015

Top Ten in The Senior Class
Valedictorian: Trent Hagenbuch
Salutatorian: Jocelyn Meyer
Thomas Klosterman
DeLaney Hartman
Erin Donnelly
Anna Layman
Sheereen Allen
Max Miller
Lauren Barhorst
Katherine Pfeifer

Outstanding Seniors
DeLaney Hartman
Michael Marsh

Archbishop Alter Award
Jocelyn Meyer

John Ernst Award
Phillip Drayton

Maria Joseph Award
Colleen Johnson

Valor Award
Jean Munyankindi
Brian Walsh

William Truxel Award
Colleen Johnson

School Citizenship Award
Danielle Ruffolo
Christopher Finke

Waging Peace Award
DeLaney Hartman
Jack Crippen

Leo F. Trick Memorial Award
Peter Swindeman

Hinkle Award
Jack Crippen

The William F. Rankin Athletic Award
Max Miller

Gerald Bart Award
Kyly Borton
Phillip Drayton

2015 Graduates
99% attending college this fall
1 US Military
1 Professional Ballerina

2 Military Academy Appointments

167 graduates at 47 colleges or universities in 16 states

80% of graduates offered $18.3 million in scholarships

$108,383 average scholarship dollars offered per graduate
Sophia Acampora
Ethan Albers
Thomas Alig
Sheereen Allen
Lauren Ashurst
Joseph Bailey
Thomas Ballard
Lauren Barhorst
Madeline Bazela
Melissa Beach
Adam Beam
Christopher Bell
Nathalie Bidwell
Anna Binzer
Dylan Black
Emma Bockrath
Reed Bockrath
Natalie Bolek
Ethan Bolk
Kyly Bolton
Abigail Brabender
William Braun
Sydney Breyer
Nicholas Brodecker
Massimiliano Carone
Matthew Chrabascz
Molly Colavincenzo
Nicholas Coleman
William (Alex) Craft
Jack Crippen
Dillon Daxe
Erin Donnelly
Phillip Drayton
Zachary Duke
David Ebgrt
Sarah Ebert
Andrew Eisenhauer
James Eisenhauer
Martin Fehringer
Andrew Ferrante
Christopher Finke
Samantha Foppe
Megan Foster
Megan Foster
Victoria Frey
Thomas Gerhard
Adam Girmann
Daniel Girodard
Zachary Graybill
Michelle Gregg
Timothy Gregory
Trent Hagenbuch
Cole Harshbarger
Madison Hartings
DeLaney Hartman
Lauren Hawley
Dustin Hayes
Abigail Helm
Jacob Helm
Hannah Hendricks
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Ohio Wesleyan University
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John Carroll University
High Point University
Sinclair Community College
University of Dayton
University of Cincinnati
Indiana University
Ohio State University
University of Mount Union
Denison University
Wright State University
Saint Louis University
Ohio University
University of Notre Dame
US Air Force Academy
University of Dayton
University of Mount Union
University of Cincinnati
University of Dayton
Thomas More College
Ohio State University
Ohio State University
US Naval Academy
Ohio State University
Miami University
University of Dayton
University of Notre Dame
Miami University
Anderson University
Miami University
Wittenberg University
Wright State University
University of Dayton
University of Cincinnati
Miami University
Ohio State University
University of Pennsylvania
Defiance College
University of Kentucky
Butler University
Denison University
US Marine Corps
Anderson University
Miami University
Madison Henry
Madison Horres
Carl Hess
Rachel Holtgreive
Alex Homchouer
Kraig Howe
Anthony Ignuzzi
Sara Imwalle
Elizabeth Janess
Elisabeth Jansing
Colleen Johnson
Andrew Joseph
Yomali Kader
Emily Kessler
Hannah Klenke
Laura Klusmerman
Madelyn Kroger
James Kunesh
Bradley Lantz
Danielle Lapins
Holly Laws
Anna Layman
Joseph Lehman
Theophilus (Dean) Lemon
Catherine Leschansky
Hunter Lewis
Michael Lewis
Matthew Link
Christopher Luehrs
Kerri Lumpkin-Mucha
Christopher Lush
Jacqueline Mogin
Michael Marsh
Erin McNeal
Andrew Collum
Mark Curtis
Megan McKeel
Kelly McLaughlin
Matthew Mescher
Jocelyn Meyer
Julia Miller
Max Miller
Sierra Morris
Andrew Morrison
Riley Mowbray
Katherine Mullins
Jean Munyankindi
Kelley Murray
Joseph Nikolai
Nicholas Nye
Rachel O'Brien
Timothy O'Brien
Marc O'Neal
Aaron Pack
Alexander Pack
Anthony Pellegrino
Christopher Pentecost
Joseph Petrosino
University of Kentucky
Sinclair Community College
University of Dayton
Saint Louis University
University of Cincinnati
University of Wisconsin-Madison
Ohio State University
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University of Central Florida
University of Cincinnati
Ohio University
Sinclair Community College
Sinclair Community College
Bethel College
Miami University
University of Kentucky
Georgetown University
Saint Louis University
Davis and Elkins College
Cleveland State University
University of Dayton
Ohio State University
University of Cincinnati
Harvard University
Loyola University
Ohio State University
Sinclair Community College
University of Cincinnati
University of Mississippi
Wright State University
University of Dayton
Ohio State University
Sinclair Community College
University of Dayton
Sinclair Community College
Marietta College
University of Cincinnati
University of Dayton
Wright State University
Ohio University
Alter Legacy

CLASS OF 2015 - CHILDREN OF ALTER ALUMNI

Sharon O’Brien ’78 Graybill
Zachary Graybill ’15

Caren Sullivan ’83 Mowbray
Riley Mowbray ’15

Anita Ferneding ’82 Mangin
Jaqueline Mangin ’15

Jim Finke ’76
Chris Finke ’15

Monica Sheridan ’85 Johnson
Colleen Johnson ’15

Lisa Kirkland ’86 Bidwell
Nathalie Bidwell ’15

Christine Alexander ’81 Pack
Alex & Aaron Pack ’15
From the Director of Alumni Relations
Kim Graf '88 Schimpf

What has Alter given you since graduation?
Ann Bockrath
Past Parent

Alter High School has been one of the best decisions we have made for our family. Alter is a FAMILY. Not only has Alter High School given us a top education, but it has taught us a deep sense of spirituality and commitment in our lives. Alter is a community teaching us stewardship for each other as well as the world around us. When a family at Alter High School is in crisis, the community comes together to support them through prayers, monetary, and physical help. My family has grown because of Alter High School and the friendships that we have encountered are lifelong.

Lauren (2007) is a Nurse at Children's Hospital in Cincinnati. The oldest and most shy of the five children, she was able to blossom and grow at Alter High School. She excelled at Track and Cross Country. Not only did she win multiple State Titles, but her Alter friends are a big part of her life today.

I remember thanking Ed Domsitz after the last football banquet and two State Championships. I told him that I now know that Christopher (2010) can excel in anything he desires. The fact that this football program could motivate, teach leadership, and get 110% out of my son, I knew he could channel that into college and the workforce. Chris is in Dental School at Ohio State University.

Allison (2012) is studying at Cornell University. She too has set her goals high and plans on attending Dental School after graduating. Alter High School prepared her for an Ivy League Education.

Alter has a wonderful Guatemala mission trips in which I had the pleasure to go on with my children. Kara (2014) was so inspired that she is studying at St Louis University to become a Nurse Practitioner and work as a Missionary. She is in Peru this summer on another mission trip and Spain abroad in the fall.

Emma (2015) will play basketball at High Point University after a wonderful season winning State this last winter. Her best memories are starting at Alter Varsity Basketball with her two older sisters freshman year. She, too, has high visions because that is what Alter High School teaches and expects.

Although we have graduated physically from this wonderful High School, we will always bleed brown and gold and always be Alter Knights.
ED LESCHANSKY ‘72

One of the questions parents always ask is “besides the advantage of having your child attend high school in a faith based Catholic environment, what else does Alter offer?” As an Alter grad I experienced many benefits of attending Alter after I graduated. But the story our oldest daughter told us probably sums it up best. While interviewing to be accepted into the honors program at The Ohio State University, the interviewer mentioned that Alter is well known to the admissions department at OSU, and that they know an Alter student will be well prepared for the college academic environment. Our daughter was later accepted into the honors program along with quite a few other Alter graduates.

LIBBY LAIR ’74

So what did Alter give me? It’s not about me....that’s what Alter gave me.

NIKKI PARNELL LAWSON ‘89

Alter gave me life-long friendships. My alumni friends are from a range of graduating classes, which I love. The Alter community is such a welcoming, close knit group, and I’m proud to be a part of it.

1974 Graduation: Libby Lair and Anita Schimpf

1989 Graduation: Nikki Parnell Lawson and Mary Jo Gran Quinlan
PHYLLIS YINGLING
PAST PARENT

The Alter experience has re-inforced my children’s religious background and helped them develop a good work ethic. They were encouraged to become responsible citizens of our country and the world.

Phyllis Yingling – Mother of 11 Alter grads (Christina Pappert ’71, David ’72, Kathleen Weaver ’75, Patricia Viers ’75, Julie Slivinski ’78, Mary Ann Geers ’79, Tim ’81, Theresa Plunkett ’82, Beth Henson ’85, and Peggy Yingling ’88) - all pictured. She is also the Grandmother of 6 Alter grads (Jennifer Van Oss ’06, Kevin Van Oss ’09, Max Plunkett ’09, Sandy Plunkett ’10, Molly Van Oss ’11, and Michael Van Oss ’12).

DANELL REINERT ‘85
BONANNO

As I prepare and reflect upon my upcoming 30th reunion, I realize that my years at Alter and the 30 years since have provided a lifetime of ongoing faith, friendship, and support from this community!

GIVEN TO YOU?

MICHAEL CASTLEFORTE ‘00

Alter gave me a foundation, competitive drive and faith-based perspective that I rely on in every facet of my life. Any success I have had can be tied to my time at Alter. I am eternally grateful for the wonderful faculty, friends and community I encountered in my four years of high school.

BECKY CASTLEFORTE
PAST PARENT

Alter gave my two children Caroline ‘97 and Michael ‘00 (pictured below) a great education as both were very prepared for college. However, the most impressive thing Alter provided my children that has remained with them is a sense of responsibility to “give back.” That sense of responsibility to your community was instilled in them at Alter and has remained with them throughout their lives. After college, Caroline did a year of volunteer work with the AmeriCorps program working at a Domestic Violence shelter in Los Angeles. Today she is a Pediatric Physician working in the Emergency Department at Boston Children’s Hospital where she is able to give back every day. Michael received the “Top Six for Service” award from the Atlantic Coast Conference for his contributions at Duke and was also a member of Duke’s Athletic Council. Michael continues to give back today as a member of the board of directors of The First Tee of Chicago and through various other charitable endeavors. The community at Alter is amazing and giving back is what we all do.
In Memoriam

We offer families of the deceased our deepest sympathy and prayers. We appreciate those of you who write to inform us of deaths within the Alter family. You may provide information by calling the Advancement Office at (937) 434-2059 or emailing tina.lammers@alterhs.org.

Joan Francis Burke (mother of Patrick ‘91)

Frank Colonna (May 2015), father of Karen Colonna ’86 Carter and Frank ’92

Marilyn Crotty (March 2015), mother of Dan, Kathleen ‘72, Kevin ‘74, Shane ‘81, Jim ‘82, Brian ‘82; grandmother of Colin ‘96, Melissa ’98, Kerry ’00, Sean ’01, Michael ’01, Katherine ’03 and Jack ’07

Ron DeBrosse (May 2015), Alter faculty member and Dean of Students from 1966-1988. Ron is the father of Ron ’88 and Kathy ’90; brother of Ray ’70

Ruth Dietz (April 2015), grandmother of Nicole ’08, Brittney ’11 and Lauren ’18

Marion Falvey (April 2015), mother of Tom ’73 and Patie Falvey ’75 Holmes

Dorothy Jean Gilvary (April 2015), mother of Sean ’69 and Maureen ’71

Mary Glennon (April 2015), mother of Patricia Glennon ’70 Bentz, Margaret ’70, Richard ’74, Jeanne Glennon ’82 LeComte; grandmother of John LeComte ’11, Chris LeComte ’14 and Dan LeComte ’18

William Grimes, Sr. (March 2014), father of Kathy ’68 and Bill, Jr. ’70

Urban Hinders (April 2015), father of Judi Hinders ’68 Green, Rod ’70, Brian ’73, Anita Hinders ’77 Pivotra and Kevin ’78

Diane Butler ’77 Hughes (April 2015), sister of Pam Butler ’71 Christ, Mark ’73, Janet Butler ’75 Gigandet, and Julie Butler ’75 Maurer

Kay Imber (April 2015), mother of Dave Imber (current faculty member)

Stephanie Rastikis (April 2015), grandmother of Chris Vermillion ’04 and Stephanie Vermillion ’07

Sue Ryan (March 2015), longtime partner of Bob Thaman ’68

Norma Zimmerman (May 2015), mother of Jill Zimmerman ’75 Bolan, Beth Zimmerman ’76 Bentley, Margie Zimmerman ’79 Olcott (deceased), Charles ’82, Jim ’84 and Gerald ’87

2015 REUNION INFORMATION

2010 & 2015 – Volunteers are needed to plan your 5 and 10 year reunions!! Email kim.schimpf@alterhs.org if you can help.

2000 – We’re looking forward to seeing you on 9/4 under the Alumni Tent at Alter Fest and on 9/5 at our reunion. Detailed information is being sent soon. Questions: Nina DiGuiardi Vasili at nina.vasiliu@gmail.com.

1995 – Allie Goeke is planning a fun 20th reunion for Labor Day weekend, but she could use some extra hands! Friday night gather under the Alumni Tent at Alter Fest; Saturday meet at Romer’s bar for a casual time together; and Sunday, family picnic at Ernst Park. If you have questions or would be willing to help, please email Allie (an-goeke@aol.com). More details to come!

1990 – A fun, casual 25th reunion celebration is planned, and we hope you’ll join us! Please plan on first reuniting at Alter Fest under the Alumni Tent on Friday, 9/4, and then attending our reunion at Sugar Valley on Saturday, 9/5! Detailed information will be mailed soon! Questions: Contact Jennifer Dudon Musser (jenniferdmusser@gmail.com).

1985 – Plans are in the works! Continue to keep Labor Day weekend on your calendar, and details will be soon sent. Questions: Contact Andrea Canarozzi Varabkanich (andrea@cannarozziagency.com).

1980 – A meeting is set for June 24th at Ferneding Insurance (5540 Far Hills Ave) at 6:00 for all who would like to help plan our 35th reunion. Questions: Contact Dan Ferneding (danr@fernedinginsurance.com). Details will soon be on the way!

1975 – 40th reunion! Invitations have been sent for the following events: Friday, 7/31 – Golf Scramble followed by an informal get-together. Saturday, 8/1 – 4:00 Mass at Alter Chapel followed by Alter tour with reception in Huesman Room, and then an “Epic Party” at Oregon Express! We are looking forward to having fun together!

1970 – Let’s celebrate our 45th!! Invitations have been sent for Friday, 9/4 (tailgate, game, and post-game under the Alumni Tent at AlterFest) and for Saturday, 9/5 (Golf in the morning and super casual get-together in the evening at Walnut Grove). Golf Questions: Mike Shawn (937/435-1115, mshawenassoc@sbcglobal.net) and Party Questions: Reenie Focke Boecker (jsr10b@aol.com). You can also check out our FaceBook page: Archbishop Alter High School Class of 1970.

HAPPY 60th Birthday to the Knights Forever Class of ’73!
You all partied together when you turned 50 and 55, so it’s time to celebrate 60! Please join us on Friday, September 4th at Alter Fest at 7:00. More details to come, but snacks will be provided and refreshments will be available for purchase.
Carly Mygrants ’07
After playing soccer for and graduating from the University of Alabama, Carly worked for a year as the personal assistant to Jimmy Sexton, who is a sports agent in Memphis, Tennessee. She then went on to become the Executive Assistant to Ruston Webster, EVP and General Manager of the Tennessee Titans in Nashville. This photo shows Carly giving a tour of the facilities to Marcus Mariota, the Titans first round pick in the 2015 NFL draft. Way to go Carly!

Malik Zaire ’13
Malik Zaire was the starting quarterback for the Notre Dame Fighting Irish in the Liberty Bowl, where he was named MVP. Great Job Malik!

Reverend John C McBride ’66
Upon Reverend McBride’s retirement in May 2015, he was presented with a very distinguished award from the Lutheran Ministers Association recognizing his wonderful service of 33 years in parish ministry, 3 years as Synodical President of the Lutheran Church International, and the author of several books. Reverend McBride, thank you for all of your service. We too are VERY proud of you!

Kathy Weil ’88 Kargl
Congratulations to Kathy Weil Kargl for being named a 2014 & 2015 Mercury Honoree for Educator of the Year (University of Dayton). We’re so proud of you Kathy!

80s Knights Forever Alums Celebrate Together
A fun group got together to celebrate Jay Hughes and his 50th birthday in Cabo. From left to right: Mike Eichner ’83, Ted Link ’82, Pat Brown ’82, Jay Hughes ’82, Todd Gadowski, & Chris Placke ’82 (not pictured: John Ireton ’82). Happy 50th!

Erin Lammers ’08 Swallow
Erin Lammers married Kevin Swallow on May 2, 2015 in Columbus, Ohio at St. Francis Church. The couple reside in Columbus where Erin is a Speech Pathologist at Westminster Thurber Rehab Facility. Alter grads in the wedding party were: Kari Vangsness, Jennna Lachey, Alex Tillar (Maid of Honor), Greg Lammers (brother of the bride), Todd Connon, and Scott Vannatta.

Rebecca Esselstein ’11
Cadet First Class Rebecca Esselstein recently graduated from the Air Force Academy, PLACING FIRST among a class of 840 cadets. She was also named a Rhodes scholar and will study astrophysics at Oxford in the United Kingdom this fall. She has aspirations to become an Air Force pilot and astronaut. Wow!

Chris Borland ’09
Borland was selected with the 13th pick of the 3rd round (77th overall) of the 2014 NFL Draft by the San Francisco 49ers. In a matchup against the New Orleans Saints, Borland recovered an overtime fumble that led the 49ers to a 27-24 victory. During the game Borland recorded 17 tackles, and he received his first ever NFL award, which was Pepsi NFL Rookie of the Week. The next week, he was named NFC Defensive Player of the Week for his performance against the New York Giants where he was the first rookie linebacker in franchise history to get two interceptions in one game. Borland was selected as the NFL’s Defensive Rookie of the Month for November. Borland finished his rookie season with 108 tackles, 1 sack, and 2 interceptions.

In March 2015, Borland announced his retirement from the NFL citing concern of head trauma. We’re proud of you Chris!
Don’t miss out on your copy of the *RoundTable*. As a green initiative and financially responsible measure, Alter will only mail hard copies of the *RoundTable* to alumni and past parents who support the Annual Fund at $25 or more each year.

The *RoundTable* will otherwise be available online at alterhs.org

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